dwelling units sanctioned by HUDCO for low income group families in the State of Rajasthan, during the last three years are given below:—

Year	Dwelling units sanctioned for LIG in Urban Areas
1997-98	1722
1998-99	1684
1999-2000	324

(b) HUDCO has not received any proposals for providing assistance for Low Income Group (LIG) under Rural Housing from Rajasthan in the last three years.

Project to Revive the Glory of Historic Cities

1563. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to slate:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken up a project to revive the glory of historic cities;

(b) if so, the details of the project; and

(c) the number of cities that have been taken up under the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) A scheme has drawn up for rejuvenation of culturally significant cities. Preliminary work in this regard has been done and the detailed provisions of the scheme are under discussion with the State Governments and the Planning Commission. The scheme is likely to be given final shape shortly. Its basic objective is to ensure that these culturally significant cities become vibrant centres not only of civic life but also of economic, social and cultural advancement. The cities to be covered by the scheme would be decided in consultation with the State Governments but it is proposed as a general preposition to select at least one culturally significant town in each small State and two in the large States.